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Kasturba Day Arrests In City

MAYOR'S PLEA FOR MEMORIAL

Mrs. Naidu Overwhelmed With Grief Declines To Comment: Country-Wide Hartals And Condolence Meetings

Forty persons were arrested by the city police at the Chaupatty sands on Wednesday for attempting to hold a condolence meeting to mourn the death of Kasturba Gandhi in contravention of the order of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay. Ten more persons were arrested during the day for similar offences. Among those arrested were 17 ladies including Shrimatis Kusum Seth, Kumud Seth, Kusum Kapadia, Usha Khandwala and Lilaben Patel.

Shrimati Deviben Pandit was arrested at Khar for attempting to lead a procession after addressing a condolence meeting for Kasturba Gandhi.

R. S. Bangera, Natverlal Vyas, Vithaldas Yellu and Nusserwanji R. Elchidana were arrested in the Fort area by the city police on Wednesday when requesting shopkeepers to observe a Hartal in view of the demise of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi.

THREE CITY PAPERS OBSERVE HARTAL

"Janmabhoomi" "Lokmanya", and "Nootan Gujarat" offices will remain closed on Thursday, the 24th instant, in respect of the revered memory of late Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi and, therefore, there will be no issue of "Janmabhoomi" on Thursday and those of "Lokmanya" and "Nutan Gujarat" on Friday.

HARIJANS SHARE IN YOUR SORROW

Mr. N. S. Kajrolkar, member of the Backward class Board on behalf of Harijans of Bombay has sent the following message to Gandhiji: Harijans have lost their beloved mother: Pray for Harijan share in your sorrow".

CONDOLENCES FROM CAWNPORE

CAWNPORE, Feb. 23: A resolution of condolence at the death of Mrs. Gandhi was passed by the Cawnpore Municipal Committee at a special meeting this afternoon which thereafter adjourned, postponing consideration of the annual budget estimates.

The Hindu Sangh has sent a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi conveying condolence and sharing his loss. Almost all the educational institutions and principal markets remained closed.—A. P.

HARTAL IN CITY

Quite a large number of City associations, institutions, private firms, &c., has passed resolutions expressing their sorrow at the demise of Kasturba, and offering condolences to Mahatma Gandhi and family, including the following:

Scindia Steam Navigation Co. All-India Manufacturers Organisation Association of Indian Industries Shri Mahajan Association, Ltd., Indian Merchants' Chamber; Chemists and Druggists' Assn.; Sophia College (Principal, Staff Students); Freedom Group; Parsi Ambulance and Parsi Nursing Divs. (S. J. A. B. O.); Bharat (Sales) Ltd.; Communist Party of India; Bombay Rice Merchants' Association; Bombay Shroff (Bankers) Assn., Ltd.; Modasa Hitechchhu Mandal; Indian Grain Dealers' Federation; Grain Merchants' Association; Members of the Staff and Students of the Nair Hospital Dental College; Bombay Grain and Seeds Association Ltd.; The Goan Association; The Marwari Chamber of Commerce Ltd.; The Progressive Group; K. E. M. Hospital and Seth G. S. Medical College; The Bombay Presidency Women's Council; The Nationalist Bombay Students' Union; The Fort Students Charka Sangha.

CITY OFFICE CLOSED

The following city offices remained closed on Wednesday due to demise of Kasturba:

Indian Merchants' Chamber; All-India Manufacturers' Organisation; Mill Gin Store Merchants' Association; Indian Insurance Companies' Association; Matunga Clubs and Stree Mandal; Jayabharat Insurance Co., Ltd.; Bharat (Sales) Ltd.; Bombay Grain Dealers' Association.

Tagore Society Suspends Programme

The Tagore Society, Bombay, suspended their programme of the Tagore Week on Wednesday, in honour of the sacred memory of Kasturba. Instead of the lectures by Dr. Amiya Chakravarti and Prof. Humayun Kabir, Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor of Bombay, who was to have presided at the meeting led a prayer for the departed soul, the audience observing complete silence for a few minutes. Some of Tagore's songs composed for such occasions were sung by students of Santiniketan.

By a special request, Santiniketan pupils will give a repeat performance of Balmiki Pratiba on Sunday the 27th at 6-30 p.m.

At Shantiniketan

CALCUTTA, Feb. 23.

Mr. Ratindranath Tagore has sent a wire to Gandhiji on behalf of Shantiniketan, saying, "Our heart goes out to you in this hour of supreme grief. May the country's sympathy sustain you now as always.

On hearing the news, the inmates of Shantiniketan sang 'in 'Baitalika' one of Rabindranath's songs of peace. Special prayer service was held this morning.—United Press.

MEMORIAL FOR KASTURBA

BOMBAY, Feb. 23.

That a suitable memorial to Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi should be erected in Bombay was the suggestion made by Mr. M. R. Masani, Mayor of Bombay, presiding over a condolence meeting held this evening under the auspices of the Tagore Society at the Framji Cawasji Institute Hall.

"Mrs. Gandhi's role in life was by no means an easy one", said Mr. Masani, "but she filled it with quiet and noble dignity."

HARTAL AT CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Feb. 23: Several industrial organisations and commercial firms in the city remained closed as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi. Many business establishments in Indian quarters observed hartal and the educational institutions were mostly closed after midday recess.

The numerous telegrams of condolence sent to Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Devdas Gandhi by various organisations and individuals in the city, include those from the Indian Chamber of Commerce, the Marwari Chamber of Commerce, the Calcutta Yarn Merchants Association and the Editors of the "Amrita Bazar Patrika" "Hindusthan Standard" and "Anandabazar Patrika"—A. P.

HARTAL AT POONA

POONA, Feb. 23: Schools, colleges, shops and business establishments remained closed to-day throughout the city as a mark of respect to Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi.—A. P.

At Ahmedabad

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 23.

At a public meeting of the citizens of Ahmedabad held this evening, a condolence resolution was passed at the death of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi Similar resolution was also passed by the Ahmedabad Bar Association.—United Press.

Surat Procession Dispersed

SURAT, Feb. 23.

A procession which was taken out this evening was dispersed by the police who took into custody ten persons, including six girls for interrogation. The arrested persons were later let off.

All educational institutions in the city remained closed to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs Kasturba Gandhi—A.P.

Delhi Municipality Adjourns

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

A resolution paying 'humble tributes to the memory of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi and offering respectful condolences to Mahatma Gandhi and other members of the Gandhi family' was adopted by the Delhi Municipal Committee this evening, the Deputy Commissioner presiding. The committee after passing the resolution, adjourned for five minutes as a mark of respect to the deceased; members of the Congress group, however, abstained from attending the meeting when the house reassembled.

Hartal At Nagpur

NAGPUR, Feb. 23.

Most of the educational institutions remained closed to-day in Nagpur as a mark of grief for the death of Mrs. Gandhi. Several cinemas also suspended their shows for the day.

A special meeting of the Nagpur Municipal Committee passed a resolution condoling Kasturba's death.

Wardha Prayers At Sewagram

WARDHA, Feb. 23.

Prayers were offered to-day at Sewagram and Sutra Yagna performed in Ba's hut. Markets and several educational institutions remained closed.—A. P.

Allahabad University Closed

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 23.—The University of Allahabad was closed to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi. The students at a meeting passed a condolence resolution. Other educational institutions were also closed. A majority of the shops in the city remained closed to-day.

Dr. Amarnath Jah, Vice-Chancellor of the Allahabad University in a message says: "Mrs. Gandhi's life has been one of simple and unostentatious service, her memory will be treasured both for what she was and what she has achieved."

Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit said that she always looked upon Mrs. Gandhi as her mother.—A P.

Peshawar's Tributes

PESHAWAR, Feb. 23.

A largely attended public meeting was held which passed a resolution of condolence. Tributes were paid to Mrs. Gandhi among others by Dr. Khan Sahib, Diwan Bhanjuram Gandhi and Khan Aligul Khan.—A.P.

At Karachi

KARACHI, Feb. 23.

Almost complete hartal was observed in Karachi to-day to mourn the death of Mrs. Gandhi.

The Karachi Municipal Corporation adjourned its meeting this evening for the same reason.—A. P.

PARTIAL HARTTAL AT SIMLA

SIMLA, Feb. 23: Simla observed a partial 'hartal' to-day on the passing away of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi in Poona.—A. P.

MEERUT BAN AND PARTIAL HARTAL

MEERUT, Feb. 23: In connection with the death of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi the City Magistrate, Meerut, has promulgated an order under section 144 Cr. P. C. for one week from to-day in the city and cantonment areas prohibiting processions of any kind, demonstration of any sort, assemblage and going together of five or more persons in any public place, carrying of lathis, swords or any kind of weapons etc., except mourning meetings, public or private, for which previous permission from the District Magistrate is essential.

Bazaza and Sarafa, two main bazars in the city and almost all Hindu shops and business places and a few Muslim shops were closed in city and cantonment in memory of the late Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi. Most of the colleges and schools remained closed.—A. P.

Leaders' Condolence Messages

CALCUTTA Feb. 23.

Interviewed on the death of Mrs. Gandhi, Sir P. C. Ray said:

"Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi's death in jail is a slur on the Government of India. The heart of the whole of India is with Mahatma Gandhi in his bereavement."

Sir A. H. Ghaznavi

NEW DELHI: Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi says "Mrs. Gandhi was a source of inspiration and courage to her illustrious husband and our sympathies go forth to Gandhiji in his great sorrow."

N. C Kelkar

POONA: Mr. N. C. Kelkar, said "In my opinion Kasturba has proved an ideal Hindu wife. In a way, Mahatma Gandhi's life has also been Kasturba's life."

Ramnath Goenka

MADRAS: Mr. Ramnath Goenka, Editor, "Indian Express" has sent the following telegram to Mr. Devadas Gandhi, Poona:—

"Shocked by news. Accept condolences on bereavement. Your bereavement is country's bereavement."

G. A. Natesan

MADRAS: Mr. G. A. Natesan, editor of the "Indian Review" has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi: "My wife and myself are deeply grieved. My respectful sympathies to you and your sons May God give you strength to bear this terrible calamity."—United Press.

MRS. NAIDU OVERWHELMED WITH GRIEF

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Feb. 23: The news of the death of Mrs. Gandhi was received here with sorrow. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu was overwhelmed with grief when the news was conveyed to her and declined to comment.

Dr. Syed Abdul Latif said "My deepest sympathies with Gandhiji and other members of his family. India has lost an inspiring example of true womanhood."

The Hyderabad Stock Exchange and business Houses and shops in various localities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad were closed to-day as a mark of respect to Mrs. Gandhi.—A. P.

ANEY'S CONDOLENCES

MADRAS, Feb. 23: Mr. M. S. Aney Representative of the Government of India in Ceylon now in Madras has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi:—

"Convey Devdas Gandhi my great sorrow at death of Ba. Whole country mourns her loss and my deepest sympathies with Mahatmaji, Devdas his brothers in their great bereavement."—A. P.

SAVARKAR'S MESSAGE

BOMBAY, Feb. 23: Mr. V. D. Savarkar has sent the following condolence message to Mahatma Gandhi:—

"With a heavy heart I mourn the death of Kasturba. A faithful wife and affectionate mother, she died a noble death in the service of God and men. Your grief is shared by the whole nation."—United Press.

CONDOLENCES FROM MADRAS

MADRAS, Feb. 23: Mr. K. Srinivasan, editor of the "Hindu" has sent the following telegram to Mr. Devadas Gandhi:—

Please accept heartfelt condolence on your heavy bereavement which I feel as my personal loss. Convey respectful condolences to Bapu".

The Editor of "Thanthi" Tamil daily, Mr. Abdul Hamid Khan M.L.A. Mr. G. A. Natesan and Mr. R. Sabhabhati Mudaliar President of Madras Newspaper Workers Labour Union sent similar condolence telegrams.—A. P.

SIR MAHARAJ SINGH'S TELEGRAM

LUCKNOW, Feb. 23: It is understood that Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, President of the Indian Liberal Federation, has sent a telegram to the Home Secretary, Government of Bombay, requesting him to convey the former's heart-felt sympathy to Mahatma Gandhi on the death of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi.—United Press

Khilafat Committee's Condolence

BOMBAY, Feb. 23.

The Central Khilafat Committee has sent a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi condoling the death of Kasturba Gandhi. The President of the Bombay Marathi Journalists' Association also has sent a telegram to Mahatma Gandhi expressing his grief.—A.P.

A PERSONAL LOSS

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22.

Mr. N. R. Sarkar, Ex-Commerce Member, Government of India, said: "Every Indian heart and also the hearts of many outside India would go out in deepest and most spontaneous sympathy to Mahatmaji. Each of us feel it like a personal loss and the whole nation mourning today the death of saintly lady an ideal mother, a devoted wife and a resolute fighter in the struggle of freedom.

PERSONIFICATION OF NOBLEST INDIAN WOMANHOOD

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Seth Walchand Hirachand has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi:—

Srimati Kasturba lived a life of all that was best in Indian womanhood with unbreakable and loving devotion to her husband and his ideals and mission and with unfailing unassuming and touching love and solicitude for all as the mother of the nation.

Syed Mahmud Operated Upon In Detention Camp

No Outside Medical Aid Permitted To National Leaders: Jawahar Loses Weight: Sardar Suffers From Spastic Colon: Maxwell Makes Health Report

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

The Home Member in reply to Mr. Krishnamachari's question in the Assembly about Dr. Syed Mahmud, a member of the Congress Working Committee, said that towards the end of December, 1943, Dr. Mahmud developed a superficial abscess on the neck; this was operated up on under a local anaesthetic on January 6 and he had since made rapid recovery. His general condition was reported to be satisfactory and there was no question of his suffering from any serious throat affection or from continuous bleeding.

VALLABHBHAI'S COMPLAINT

Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel had for many years had what is known as a spastic colon. It was not a serious intestinal complaint. His condition had in no way deteriorated during his detention, as was shown by the fact that his weight had remained stationary and recent reports on his health were satisfactory.

As for the remaining members of the Working Committee now in detention, a careful watch over their health was maintained and Government were satisfied that their general condition was satisfactory.

Q. Do Government propose to consider the desirability of releasing the gentlemen, who are seriously ill or, in the alternative, of permitting them to have medical advice of their own choice?

A. None of these gentleman is seriously ill. They all receive every possible medical attention.

INTERVIEWS

Q. Do Government propose to consider the desirability of allowing members of the Congress Working Committee to have interviews with their friends and relations at stated intervals.

DETAINED AT AHMEDNAGAR

The Home Member said in reply to Sardar Mangal Singh that members of the Working Committee were detained in Ahmednagar and they were allowed to write two and receive four letters per week. They were allowed to make a selection from the newspapers published in the Bombay Province and approved for Provincial security prisoners. They were also allowed the following newspapers published outside Bombay. "Statesman" and "Amritta Bazar Patrika" (Calcutta), "Hindu" (Madras), "Tribune" (Lahore), "Leader" (Allahabad), "Manchester Guardian" (weekly) and "New Statesman". They were allowed at Government expense whatever article of diet and in whatever quantity they required and there was thus no fixed scale.

NEHRU LOSES WEIGHT

Mr. Nehru had lost in weight since his detention but his health was reported to be good. He was supplied at Government expense with such medicines as the medical officer in charge considered necessary. So far as the Home Member was aware Mr. Nehru had made no request to be supplied with any particular medicine.

Mrs. Gandhi's Death Gets Front-Page Prominence In Hundreds Of American Newspapers, But Only Brief Announcement In London Press

(From A Special Correspondent).

LONDON, Feb. 23.

Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi's death was briefly announced in to-day's London papers.

Many Labour and Liberal M.P.'s conveyed through the United Press of India their sincerest condolences to Mahatma Gandhi and expressed the hope that at least now Lord Wavell would immediately release him and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and thus bring the sad Indian story to an end.

How U. S. Press Carried News

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The news of Mrs. Gandhi's death was made known to millions of Americans in news bulletins broadcast from coast to coast. Hundreds of American newspapers gave her passing front page prominence. Dr. Taraknath Das, Professor of the New York City College, described Mrs. Gandhi's death as the greatest loss to Indian womanhood in recent years. "Mrs. Gandhi was an outstanding example of kind character that can be produced by Indian tradition and morals. Although most unassuming, she was a great leader who never compromised with her ideals.

Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Agent General for India in Washington said, "At various times the Government considered her release from detention for health reasons, but she wished to remain with her husband and her wishes were respected. Furthermore, living at the Palace, she had the benefit of care from an eminent doctor on the premises. The news of death has been received with deep regret here." Doctor Sarat Mukerji, a prominent physician said, "India must consider this one of her greatest losses particularly deplorable at this time of crisis."—Reuter.

WIDESPREAD RAIDS ON BRITAIN

Coastal Defences Open Fire On German Shipping In The Straits

LONDON, Feb. 23.

SOUTH COAST OF ENGLAND:—The coastal defences opened fire on German shipping in the Straits early this morning. The results of the action are not yet available.

Widespread German air activity last night over London and parts of East Anglia, South-east England and the Home Counties is officially reported this morning. Bombs were dropped at a number of places. There was damage and casualties.

London was raided last night for the third night in succession. It was the eleventh alert this month.

London's guns put up a heavy barrage which did not pause for fifteen minutes. At one time six raiders were held by searchlights in the sky. Flares floated down and high explosives and incendiaries were dropped. Night fighters worked in close co-operation with the gunners. In an east coast town two hotels were hit. Casualties have been reported.

It is now established that ten German aircraft were destroyed during last night's raid on this country, it is officially announced.

United States Air Force planes yesterday destroyed 133 German fighters.

It is officially announced that R.A.F Mosquitos last night attacked south western and western Germany without loss.—Reuter.

SOVIET SWEEP TOWARDS LATVIA

LONDON, Feb. 23.

Russian forces are to-day within sight of Dno, the important railway junction covering Pskov, in their all-out new offensive towards Latvia. Two Russian armies have linked up for the final assault on Dno which is being made on a 70 mile front. Over 300 places were captured in the latest advance which threw the Germans back 18 miles from Kholm, captured a short time before.

Inside the Dnieper Bend the remnants of the defeated Germans at Krivoi Rog are now in full retreat. Moscow stated to-day that the retreat has become a rout at some points with the Germans abandoning guns, mortars and vehicles in their confusion.

The battle for Krivoi Rog was mainly one of skilful manoeuvre, according to a Moscow report to-day. Thousands of Germans dead to-day litter the approaches and streets of Krivoi Rog. The losses on the German side in this battle were stated by Moscow to have been enormous.

Mahatma Sheds Tears For Kasturba

Stays Throughout Cremation Ceremony: Touching Scene Inside Aga Khan Palace

POONA, Feb. 23.

The body of Kasturba Gandhi was cremated at 10-40 a. m. Her last rites were performed by her youngest son, Devdas Gandhi.

The cremation ceremony was over by 4-30 p. m. and Mahatma Gandhi was present on the scene throughout.

It is understood that Mr. Ramdas Gandhi and Mr. Devdas Gandhi, who performed the last rites, have been permitted by the authorities to remain in the Aga Khan Palace till Friday, when the Sanjayana (ash collecting) ceremony will take place.

KASTURBA WAS CREMATED NEXT TO THE SPOT WHERE THE LATE MAHADEV DESAI WAS CREMATED.

Over a hundred persons, relatives and friends of the Gandhi family were present at Kasturba's cremation ceremony. The cremation ceremony took place in the Aga Khan Palace compound near the spot where the late Mahadev Desai was cremated.

Devadas Gandhi, youngest son of Mahatma Gandhi performed the last rites of his mother. Dressed in a white Khadi saree and covered with an orange coloured Khadi sheet with kumkum (vermillion) annointed on her forehead, Kasturba looked as though she was having a peaceful sleep. Decked with flowers, the bier was carried by her sons and relatives from the Palace to the place of cremation a hundred yards away from the buildings.

The Brahmin priest who officiated at the funeral ceremony of the late Mahadev Desai officiated at to-day's ceremony also. The ceremony itself was a short and simple one.

Swami Anand, Kanoo Gandhi, Mahatma Gandhi's grand nephew, Mr. Shanti Kumar Morarji, Mr Kamalnarayan Bajaj and other friends who were present on the occasion arranged the funeral pyre.

GANDHIJI VISIBLY MOVED

As Kasturba's body was lifted from the bier and placed on the pyre, Mahatma Gandhi, was visibly moved and with his shawl he was seen wiping his eyes. Excepting for this moment of sentiment, Mahatma Gandhi remained cool throughout and showed no signs of emotion or excitement. All the time he was seen talking to the visitors.

GANDHIJI CONDUCTS SERVICE

After the preliminary rites of cremation had been performed and the body placed on the pyre, Mahatma Gandhi beckoned to the priest to allow him to conduct a brief service. Recitations from the Koran, the Bhagavat Gita, and the Bible were made and some of the members of the Ashram sang in chorus a few bhajans.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder recited a passage from the Zoroastrian sacred text, while Mira Ben recited a psalm

The service over, Mahatma Gandhi directed the priest to continue the ceremony and himself stood leaning on his staff. Sandal wood was piled on the body and ghee was poured. Devadas Gandhi with fire in hand went round the body three times and amidst cries of "Govinda, Govinda, Govinda", lit the funeral pyre.

In less than half an hour, fanned by an easterly breeze, the flames leaped up. Mahatma Gandhi and the congregation then withdrew a short distance and squatted under a tamarind tree watching the mortal remains of Kasturba being consumed by fire.

Among those who attended the funeral were Mr. V. S. Sreenivasa Sastri, Sir R. P. Paranjpye, Mr. N. C. Kelker, Mr. and Mrs. Hucheesingh, Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, Mr. Walchand Hirachand, Lady Vithaldas Thackersy, Mr. Mathuradas Tricumjee, Nephew of Mahatma Gandhi, Lt.-Col. Bhandari, Inspector-General of Prisons, Lt.-Col. Z. H. Shah, Dr. B. N. H. B. Parulekar, Mr. J. S. Karandikar Mr. D. K. Mehta and close relatives of the Gandhi family. —A. P.

BREATHES HER LAST ON MAHATMA'S LAP

POONA, Feb. 23.

Mr. Ramdas Gandhi, Mahatmaji's third son arrived here this evening by Madras Express from Nagpur with two other relatives and immediately proceeded to the Aga Khan Palace. Almost all the relatives of Gandhiji who had gone to the Palace this morning to attend Kasturba's funeral left the Palace this evening. Mr. Kamalnayan Bajaj who reached Poona this morning with his wife and two others from Bombay by an aeroplane to be in time for the funeral have left for Bombay this evening.

It is now learnt that Kasturba called Gandhiji just before her end, and breathed her last in his lap.—United Press.

Council Adjourns But Assembly Sits

The Council of State adjourned for half an hour before taking up the business on the agenda as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs Gandhi.

Pandit Kunzru making a reference to her death, said irrespective of differences of opinions the entire nation mourned the death of Mrs. Gandhi and suggested that the Council should be adjourned as a mark of respect to her memory and also a telegram might be sent to Mahatma Gandhi expressing the sympathy of the House in his bereavement.

The President said that he associated himself with the sentiments expressed by Pandit Kunzru but under the Government of India Act, he had no power to adjourn the House. But with the consent of the House he had no objection to adjourn the House for half an hour as a mark of respect. As regards sending a telegram of condolence he woould leave it to the leader of the House.

MR. HOSSAIN IMAM ON BEHALF OF THE MUSLIM LEAGUE PARTY ASSOCIATED HIMSELF WITH PANDIT KUNZRU AND SAID THAT IT WAS BUT FITTING THAT THE

ROOSEVELT FOR FOURTH TERM

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.

Preliminary bouts for the great Presidential election contest in November are in full swing. Those seeking nomination as official candidates for the Democratic and Republican parties are now openly campaigning.

The candidature of President Roosevelt for a fourth term is now generally taken for granted, particularly since Democratic organisers announced last week that they do not expect their Party Convention in July to last more than four days.

It is pointed out here that a kind of contest balloting which would be necessary if any other candidate than President Roosevelt were contemplated could not be completed in so short a time.

The chief interest centres on competitors for the Republican nomination. —Reuter.

EDITORS' STANDING COMMITTEE

KARACHI, Feb. 23.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi President of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, informed Mr K. Punniah President of the Sind Journalists' Association that it was not possible for the Standing Committee of the Editors' Conference to meet in Karachi during the Easter.

Mr. Brelvi said that the next session would be held in Delhi when the orders on the "Hindusthan Times" and "National Call" would be discussed with the Government.—United Press.

RELEASE INDIAN LEADERS

LONDON, Feb. 23: Mrs. Corbett Ashby, Independent Liberal candidate in the Bury Saint Edmunds by-election, has strong views on the present situation in India. She has travelled extensively in India and discussed Indian problems with Indian political leaders in their own homes. "It is my view that political prisoners in India should be released at once", she told "Reuter" in an interview to-day.—Reuter.

ALLIES AND AXIS LOOT

MOSCOW, Feb. 23: The Allied agreement in the future not to accept from neutrals any gold representing Axis loot from the occupied countries which was announced by the British Treasury last night, was announced in the Soviet press to-day by the Soviet Commissariat for Finance.—Reuter.

HOUSE SHOULD BE ADJOURNED FOR THE DAY.

Sir Mohamed Usman, Leader of the House, agreed to the suggestion that the House should be adjourned for half an hour, but as regards sending a telegram he would not agree to it as there would be many cases of a similar nature and it would not be possible to send telegrams in all such cases.

In the Assembly after questions, Dr. P. N. Bannerjee, leader Nationalist Party sought the Chair's permission to make a statement. THE CHAIR HELD THAT NO STATEMENTS COULD BE MADE. Thereafter members of the Nationalist Party withdrew from the House.

It was learnt in the lobby that Dr. Bannerjee's STATEMENT WAS INTENDED TO REFER TO MRS. GANDHI'S DEATH. Congress party members were not present when the House met to-day

Congress Assembly Parties' Condolence

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.—A joint meeting of the Congress and Nationalist Parties in the Central Assembly placed on record deep grief at the passing away of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi and authorised Mr. Abdul Quayam and Dr. Bannerjee to communicate to Mahatma Gandhi heart felt sympathies in his breavement.

Accordingly the following telegram was sent to Mahatma Gandhi: "Congress and Nationalist Parties of the Central Assembly mourn with you the loss of your life-time partner".—A. P.

Sind Assembly's Tribute

KARACHI, Feb. 23.

The Sind Legislative Assembly which met this morning to receive the budget passed at the outset a resolution recording deep sorrow at the death of Mrs. Gandhi and conveying their heartfelt condolence to Mahatma Gandhi and their family

Mr. Nichaldas Wazirani Leader of the Opposition said that Kasturba was a faithful and dutiful wife, a good mother and a good citizen. She was, if not the greatest among Indian woman, at any rate one of the greatest woman India had produced.

The Premier Sir Ghulam Hussein Hidayatullah wholeheartedly associated himself and his colleagues with the resolution and he was followed by Mr Fraser (European Member) and the speaker Mr. Syed Miran Mohd Shah.

The House passed the resolution all standing and adjourned for fifteen minutes.—A. P.

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LATEST COMMERCIAL

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NEW YORK, Feb. 23

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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Mahatma Gandhi.

The Bombay Chronicle

THRICE CONDEMNED

Lord Wavell's speech has been more or less severely condemned by most Indian papers and leaders. Even in England it has been adversely criticised by papers like the "Manchester Guardian" and the "Daily Worker" and a number of Labour leaders. What is condemned most by all critics is that, while suggesting that a settlement is prevented only by the absence of any agreement between the principal parties in India, Lord Wavell is deliberately preventing negotiations with Congress, the most important party, by refusing to release its leaders and even preventing talks with them and between them in jail. Mr. Rhys Davies, M.P., focusses attention on this point by asking: 'How can two main parties come to terms with one in prison?' The "Daily Worker" brings out the point more fully when it says: "Lord Wavell's call on imprisoned Indian leaders to retract their policy individually and without being allowed to consult together is simply to call on them to desert and write themselves off as disloyal to the Indian National Congress and not a serious proposal designed to enable the Congress to undertake a revision of policy. So long as the authorities prevent consultation among imprisoned leaders, so long are they obstructing the possibility of terminating the deadlock." It may be that Lord Wavell agrees with Sir Reginald Maxwell that there is no deadlock. If not, he should realise he is standing in the way of a solution more than anybody else.

Most Indians will agree with Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru that Lord Wavell's speech "is not going to improve the general internal situation at all" but that "it may easily make it worse". But there are some who, in spite of much disillusionment, see a redeeming feature here and there in the speech. Mr. Rajagopalachari is justly bitter when he says that the part of the speech with regard to the release of Congress leaders "is the most disappointing, reminding, as it does, the methods of inquisition and extracting confessions of faith without communication with friends." He also confesses to a feeling that "the British Government have decided not to give cause for any hope for the solution of the impasse and to carry on with the present arrangements for the administration of India." Yet he is "glad to note the offer of the British Government sent through Sir Stafford Cripps is reiterated more explicitly than ever before and expressly includes terms with reference to 'interim' Government." Assuming that Lord Wavell's reiteration of the Cripps offer is authoritative and accurate, it does not remove the hidden snags in it but adds to them. For instance, the number of interests that are being given a veto on the future constitution is steadily growing, it was indefinite when the Cripps offer was first made. Lord Wavell now tells us that Government are determined that "in the solution of the constitutional problem full account is taken of the interests of those who have loyally supported us in this war and at all other times—the soldiers who have served the common cause, the people who have worked with us; the rulers and populations of the States to whom we are pledged; the minorities who have trusted us to see that they get a fair deal." As regards the interim arrangements the inclusion of which in the reiterated offer makes Rajaji so glad, Lord Wavell says not a word to suggest that there is going to be any transfer of power to the people of India. He only speaks of Indians being associated with the Government under the present constitution, that is, merely of Indianisation. Even a non-Congressman like Sir Tej Bahadur judges accurately the value of the interim proposals when he says: "Frankly speaking, even if the whole Council is Indianised it would not alter the situation. To my mind it is not the question of the number of Indians in the Cabinet which matters but what does matter is the power which they wield, the freedom of action which they enjoy and the amount of influence which they exercise with their own countrymen." From this point of view, he adds, "the Government of India is totally bankrupt" and the position cannot be better under the Cripps scheme unless real power is tansferred to the people.

Harassing Students

Repression does not leave schools and colleges alone. An amendment to the educational rules of the Madras Government imposes a fresh disability on students. According to this amendment "no student who has been convicted in a court of law for disloyal activities or who has been detained under the Defence of India Rules or the Restriction and Detention Ordinance, 1944, shall be admitted or re-admitted into a college or school without the previous sanction of the Director of Public Instruction." We do not know if a similar rule or order is in force in Bombay but the practice here in schools seems to be that the admission or readmissions of the students of the classes noted above is not left to the discretion of the principals but the students are made to make a humiliating statement and give a similar undertaking to the Educational Department. We have no doubt the same practice will be followed in Madras This is regrettable from every point of view. The school and college authorities are better fitted to deal with such students than are the officials under the Director of Public Instruction, though even they are sometimes needlessly strict. Government interference, often following a frivolous prosecution for a trivial technical offence or detention without trial, smacks of vindictiveness, betrays distrust of the very authorities on whom rests the responsibility of educating the students and spreads political discontent among the teachers and the taught and the parents. However, from a political point of view the discontent has its use. Tens of thousands of students whose early political consciousness did not find expression in anything more than wearing a Gandhi cap or occasionally shouting harmless slogans, have been deeply embittered by rude unsympathetic treatment by the police and other officials, and learnt to pick up the rudiments of the art of resisting repression. The pity of it is that bungling officials often create an unhealthy morbid discontent and that too prematurely.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Mr. Churchill's War Review

Mr. Churchill has broken his long silence on war affairs with perhaps the most exhaustive review he has ever delivered in the Commons. It was a massive survey of the global conflict packed with facts and figures and scintillating with the usual Churchillian eloquence. He has set various doubts and fears at rest—particularly those regarding a cooling off in the Anglo-American relations with the Soviet and given a heartening over-all picture of the war. Though he was necessarily non-committal and even secretive about the opening of the second front, he vigorously rebutted the charge that the Allies, and Britain particularly, are not bearing the due share of burden and responsibility. The figures he gave about the Allied air assault on Hitler's Fortress of Europe speak for themselves. The bombing of the continent ties up nearly three million enemy personnel and draws four-fifths of the German fighter forces and even a larger number of bombers to the Anglo-American fronts. This and the vital work that the Allied navies are doing have been of inestimable assistance to the Red Army. The air offensive is reaching still more gigantic proportions and apart from the terrific destruction it is causing, it serves as the prelude to the second front.

Reassurance To Russia

Mr. Churchill was completely frank and thorough regarding the political background of the war. He gave a graphic description of the present conditions in Greece and Yugoslavia and recounted the part Britain is playing in aiding the partisan movements in those countries, in spite of their own internecine struggles. The Prime Minister's defence of the Allied backing of Badoglio and King Victor was less convincing. Perhaps the most welcome reference in this part of the speech was to the Russo-Polish differences. Though reiterating his complete sympathy for Polish independence and integrity, he emphasized that Britain had never guaranteed any particular frontier line to Poland. "Russia has a right of reassurance against future attacks from the west and we are going all the way with her to see that she gets it not only by right of her arms, but by approval and assent of the United Nations." This categorical statement will no doubt be warmly welcomed in Russia but it should also instil a sense of real-politik in the exile Polish Government. In spite of all this confident narration of facts and the purple patches which adorn it, Mr. Churchill's speech seems to have been too much defensive in content and tone to rank with his best performances. Perhaps the dragging tempo of the fighting in Italy or the vague feeling of discontent in Britain as revealed in the recent elections may have been responsible for this. After all it cannot be forgotten that we are in the fifth year of the war and something more than eloquent words are needed to sustain morale and fighting spirit. That is why the Allies must copy a leaf from the Soviet book and exert their utmost to end war at the earliest possible moment. Mr. Churchill seems to have his eyes too much on the future to be really inspiring in the immediate present.

On Arakan Front

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

In the Arakan, our troops are wresting the initiative from the Japanese, says a 'communique' issued from Headquarters, South East Asia Command. They continued to drive the enemy from his strong points and to mop up during February 22.

Mopping up operations in which an Indian Division has played a distinguished part continue along the Mgakyedauk pass, where another vantage point to the east of point 1,070 and a Japanese road block only a quarter of a mile from the eastern end of the pass have been captured after determined attacks by our troops.

On the east of Kalamanzin river our troops have made successful attacks against two enemy detachments south of Taung Bazaar. In this area, the Japanese continue attempts to withdraw to the south.

In the Kaladan Valley, West African troops continue to advance towards Kyauktaw where there are signs of stiffening Japanese resistance.

Chinese forces in Hukawng Valley, North Burma, in a number of operations killed more than 400 Japanese including two field officers.—A. P.

BEWOOR EXPLAINS PLANS FOR POST-WAR CIVIL AVIATION

Bill To Reform Indian Banking Management Passed By Assembly: Facilities To Raise Paid Up Capital Assured

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

The Government of India's plan for the development of post-war civil aviation in India were indicated by Sir Gurunath Bewoor, Secretary, Posts and Air, in the course of the debate in the Assembly to-day on his Bill to amend the Indian Aircraft Act.

The post-war plan, he said, contemplated the establishment of daily air services on the main trunk air routes covering India north to south and east to west with link routes connecting the trunk routes at suitable points, and with extensions to the capitals of adjacent countries. These contemplated services would cover an air route mileage of 10,500 with an annual flying mileage of seven and half millions and with aircraft of the class contemplated the total transport effected would amount to twelve and a half million ton miles a year. As compared with the air services operated before the war, the annual flying mileage would be five times and the ton mileage fifteen times. This was only the first instalment.

The services, said Sir Gurunath, would be mixed passenger, freight and mail services. The aircraft would have accommodation for between twelve and twenty passengers. The services would be of daily frequency to begin with to be increased later, if necessary; and when the air routes were organised for night flying, the services would operate by night, connecting services would make it possible, with few exceptions, to leave any place in India on the same day at any other place on the air routes.

The capital investment of the operating organisations would probably be between Rs. three and four crores and the annual cost of operation was estimated at between two and two and half crores. Sir Gurunath explained that the members of the House as well as the General public would soon have an opportunity to know the full details of the scheme when it was published in a few days.

Sir Gurunath Bewoor replying declared it had been the view of the Government of India and of other countries that the internal air services of a country should be the sole and exclusive concern of that country and by this view the Government of India proposed to stand. The Government of India's policy had been and was to develop civil aviation with Indian capital under Indian management and to afford training and opportunity for employment to Indians and in the case of India's participation in any through services to ensure that such participation was not only financial, but technical and operational.

The Bill was passed with an amendment providing that rules framed under it shall be laid on the table of the House for its consideration.

Indian Banks Management

Certain undesirable features in the structure and management of banking companies in India are sought to be removed by the Commerce Member, Sir Azizul Haque's Bill further to amend the Indian Companies Act which was passed earlier.

Three main objectionable features with which the Bill seeks to deal are the appointment of Managing Directors or managers on longterm contracts on payment of remuneration by commission or a share in the profits; the fixation of the authorised capital at a very high figure as compared with the subscribed and paid up capital; and the possession of large voting rights by an individual or a small group of individuals, usually partly-paid ordinary or deferred shareholders.

The Commerce Member in commending the Bill pointed out that it followed the lines recommended by the Reserve Bank Central Board as urgently called for.

In the course of discussion of the clause, Government accepted Mr. Jamnadas Mehta's amendment to the effect that any contract for management may be renewed or extended for a further period not exceeding five years at a time if and so often as the directors think fit.—A. P.

RAISING PAID UP CAPITAL

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta also moved an amendment to provide that the examiner of capital issues of the Government of India shall on an application by a banking company forthwith grant the permission necessary for raising the paid up capital of that banking company upto fifty per cent of its subscribed capital.

This amendment was in reference to a provision of the Bill that the subscribed capital of a company shall not be less than half the authorised capital, and the paid up capital shall not be less than half the subscribed capital.

The Commerce Member and the Finance Member gave the assurance that it was Government's intention to give all possible facilities to companies in this matter.

Mr. Jamnadas withdrew his amendment.

A number of amendments including one asking for circulation of the Bill tabled by Nationalist Party members were not moved as these members did not attend the sitting.

The House passed Dr. Ambedkar's Bill further to amend the Coal Mines Safety (Stowing) Act, Sir Asoka Roy's Bill further to amend the transfer of Property Act and Sir Azizul Haque's Bill further to amend the Insurance Act. The Assembly adjourned till to-morrow.—A. P.

RAILWAY BUDGET UNDER FIRE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

When the Council of State met again after half an hour's adjournment, Pandit Kunzru and several other members were absent. On account of the adjournment, the question hour was dispensed with and the Council then began general discussion on the Railway Budget.

Winding up the debate, the War Transport Member, Sir Edward Benthall, said he appreciated the expressions of appreciation by some members of what the officers and men of the railways were doing.

He reiterated Government's decision to go ahead with plans for the manufacture of locomotives in the country.

On the question of increasing the fares, the War Transport Member said the honourable members had not put forward any convincing argument either on the effect of the increase in restricting traffic or on the deflationary aspect.

Sir Edward Benthall maintained that the fact that more people were travelling on trains was certainly due to the greater circulation of money in the country.

Although many members had spoken against the increase, their arguments had not convinced him that it was not a right or essential step to undertake.

The Council then adjourned till to-morrow.—A. P.

"Chronicle" Report In "Elders"

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

The Home Secretary in reply to a question by Mr. G. S. Motilal in the Council of State to-day stated that Government had not ascertained the source of or authority for a report published in the "Bombay Chronicle" regarding the terms on which Mahatma Gandhi was prepared to recommend the withdrawal of the August resolution.—United Press.

Noronha Congratulated

An interesting function came off at the C. J. Hall on Wednesday evening, when Mr. Mark Noronha was presented with an address congratulating him on his appointment as the Chief Judge of the Small Causes Court, Bombay. The function was organised on behalf of the Indian Christian community and friends of Mr. Noronha. A large gathering, including the judges and lawyers of the Small Causes Court was present on the occasion. Dr. Colaco, the Municipal Corporator who presided, read the address, and presented it to the honoured guest of the day in a silver case.

At the outset, Dr. Colaco referred to the sad death of Kasturba Gandhi, the whole gathering standing for a minute in the honour of the deceased.

Mr. S. R. Dongerkerry, the Registrar of the Bombay University traced the steady rise of Mr. Noronha from a teacher to the Chief Judge.

Mr. Coreo Alfonso, Mr. Joseph Dias and Major Sorab Engineer also associated themselves in the tribute.

Mr. Noronha in reply thanked all for their kind words and wishes and assured them of his determination to follow the high ideal of justice.

"Grow More Food" Campaign

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 23.

Government of India has sanctioned the Madras Scheme for sinking a thousand wells at an estimated cost of five lakhs of rupees in connection with the "grow more food campaign."

Efforts are also being made in Delhi province to grow more vegetable to meet the Army demand.

MUNSTER-STRABOLGI BRUSH-UP IN LORDS

Discussion On Smaller Indian States Merger Bill

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 22.

There was a mild scene in the Lords to-day between Lord Strabolgi and Lord Munster, Under-Secretary for India, during the committee stage of the India (Attachment of States) Bill.

After Lord Samuel had moved an amendment to delete a clause from the Bill which had the effect of making the Bill retrospective, Lord Strabolgi complained that the whole business was being rushed through Parliament with inadequate explanation. He quoted from a telegram he had received to-day from India signed by Fatehsinhji Dabhi, President, Western India States Agency jurisdictional and non-jurisdictional chiefs and talukdars committee and Thakori Shri of Ghodasar State. The telegram alleged that the text of the Bill was not obtainable in India and stated that the question was over 100 years old and should not be rushed through the Lords to legalise the scheme without the consent or consultation with Indians who had no effective means in wartime of making their wishes known.

Lord Munster replying to the debate said had it been practicable for an appeal to be made to the Privy Council and the appeal been allowed the effect would automatically have been retrospective at once.

Referring heatedly to Lord Strabolgi's remarks, Lord Munster said: "Lord Strabolgi comes here with a telegram received late this afternoon and endeavours to try to prove quite conclusively that I came here on second reading and deliberately mislead your lordships. He asked your lordships to dispute every word I said and cast doubt on my accuracy."

Lord Munster did not think Lord Strabolgi's remarks worth replying to.

DISGRACE TO BRITISH NAME

Lord Strabolgi then declared that if his telegram was right, the information furnished to Lord Munster was wrong. The bill was an act of indemnity for certain illegal acts done by officers in India.

Instead of going to the Privy Council to have the judgment against them reversed, Government thought it cheaper to come to the Lords and have a new bill.

Turning to Lord Munster, Lord Strabolgi said in a loud voice: "Look after your own bailiwick. There is no starvation in Indian States, but there is in Bengal for which you are responsible."

There were cries of order when Lord Strabolgi accused the India Department of "incompetence and inefficiency, which are a disgrace to the British name."

Lord Samuel thanked Lord Munster for his explanation why the Bill was retrospective and withdrew his amendment. The Bill without amendment was then reported to the House—Reuter.

'When Viceroy Becomes Soldier Again'

MADRAS, Feb. 23.

H. E. the Viceroy, Viscount Wavell became a soldier once again when yesterday he paid an informal visit to the Third Madras Regimental Centre at Madukarai dressed in the uniform of a Field Marshal. He was accompanied by H. E. Sir Arthur Hope, Governor of Madras.

H. E. Wavell Viscount arrived at Madura this morning by air.—A. P.

News received from Amraoti says that there was a loud explosion at the Railwaymen's quarters, some 12 miles from Amraoti. Some boys were playing with a substance like a crude bomb or a hand-grenade. It exploded resulting in the death of two boys and serious injuries to a woman.

'TRIP TO PAKISTAN' DOES IT

Punjab C.I.D. Serve Meherally With Order Not To Enter Province

Mr. Yusuf Meherally, ex-Mayor of Bombay was served with an order of the Punjab Government banning his entry into the province of Punjab.

The order which is issued by the Chief Secretary to the Government of the Punjab under the Restriction and Detention Ordinance of 1944 says that the action is taken to prevent Mr. Meherally "from acting in any manner prejudicial to the efficient prosecution of the war" and he is therefore directed that he shall not at any time after the service of the order be in any place within the province of the Punjab."

A local C.I.D. Officer visited the Nursing Home of Dr. Jussawala at Cumballa Hill with a view to serve the order on Mr. Meherally. Mr. Meherally it appears declined to sign the order and when the police officer pressed him to do so, he is reported to have remarked: "I wish the Punjab Government had a little sense of humour. Tomorrow they might as well direct me not to enter Timbuctoo. I have been for months in a Nursing Home and not allowed by my doctors even to sit up in bed much less to go to Punjab or even to my house in Bombay.

The police officer paid a second visit to Jussawalla Nursing Home with a number of C.I.D. witnesses and left the order in Meherally's room.

Political circles in the city are surprised at this order of the Punjab Government in view of Mr. Meherally's health, and it is surmised that it may be due to the publication of Mr. Meherally's latest book "A Trip to Pakistan" which is a satire on Punjab politics.

INTER-PROVINCIAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Gwalior Survive A Hard-Fought Contest

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

With the only goal of the match, Gwalior passed into the next round of the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament, to meet the winners of the Central India versus Bengal match.

The game, which in the first half was dominated by the winners assumed a contrary complexion in the second, when for the better part of 35 minutes, U. P. achieved distinct superiority and should had they availed themselves of the opportunities which were theirs, have run out winners.

Gulam Rasool scored the only goal of the match in the 25 minutes to give Gwalior the ultimate verdict a goal which bore out the exchanges in that period of the match. On resumption after the interval, however, U. P. came out a vastly improved team and for a full 25 minutes, Gwalior was subjected to a tremendous pressure during which Sultan should have put U. P. level first and then again in the lead. As it turned out, however both opportunities were wasted, and Gwalior were able to emerge winners in a match that might not have been theirs.

Umpire Pearse also helped Gwalior's victory to some extent when in the first half of the match he omitted to apply the "advantage rule", thereby depriving U. P. of the vital equaliser which was theirs.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Sir Mohamed Usman, Leader of the House, agreed to the suggestion that the House should be adjourned for half an hour, but as regards sending a telegram he would not agree to it as there would be many cases of a similar nature and it would not be possible to send telegrams in all such cases.

—Council of State Proceedings.

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An analysis of the Muslim League Working Committee, appointed by Mr. Jinnah, shows that there are seven "Misters", two "Sardars", two "Nawabs", one "Raja", one "Sir", one "Khan Bahadur", one "Begum", one "Haji", one "Maulana", one "Maulavi", one "Chaudhary" and one "Hon'ble".

And, of course, there is only one Quaide-e-Azam!

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In the course of his Commons speech, Mr. Churchill said:—

"There are few societies that can withstand conditions of subjugation. Indomitable patriots take different parts, quislings and collaborationists of all kinds abound, guerila leaders, each with their personal followers, quarrel and fight."

We agree.

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"Around and within these heroic forces", said Mr. Churchill, "a national and unifying movement has developed. Communist elements had the honour of being the beginners."

No, he was not referring to India but to Yugoslavia.

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS
Perpetrated by the Junior Colleague

(1) *Mr. Churchill was cheered in the House of Commons when he dramatically declared: "It is time for preparation, effort and resolve to make India free without any delay."*

(2) *When Mr. Churchill referred to the 'mother country" in the same speech, he meant "Mother India".*

(3) *Mr. Churchill was definitely not thinking of India when he said that "there is strange and stern justice in the long swing of events."*

(4) *Mr. Churchill apparently has at last discovered that "Hitler has apparently resolved to defend with the same obstinacy which he showed at Stalingrad."*

(5) *Mr. Churchill revealed that a large staff of British and American experts, dealing with 'Bombing Priorities', is considering the applications from Berlin, Munich, Rome and Tokio all clamouring to have precedence over the others.*

(6) *Mr. Churchill thinks that Hitler and his police are still in full control of Germany—and for once Hitler agrees with him entirely.*

Destitutes Die In Hospitals

CALCUTTA, Feb. 23: Eight sick destitutes died in two Cicutta hospitals yesterday.—A. P.

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Municipal Standing Committee 1-30 p.m. (B.T.)

To-day's Engagements

GATHA SOCIETY:—Meeting convened for Wednesday, will be held today when Mr B T Anklesaria, MA, will explain Gatha Vohukhshtra (Yasna Ha 51 strophes 4 and 5.

MAZDAZNAN: On "Close Relation of Breath and Diet to Beauty and Health" by Dr. Edal Behram at Mazdaznan Hall opposite Churchgate Station, at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY KERALEEYA SAMAJ: Meeting at Samaj premises, Hindu Colony, Dadar, to-morrow (Friday) at 7 p.m. (S. T.) to condole the death of Srimati Kasturba Gandhi.

GANDHI SEVA SENA: Prayer meeting in remembrance of Kasturba Gandhi at the Hall of the Indian Women's Unity, Adenwalla Mansions, Chowpatty Sea Face at 2-30 P.M. (S T).

TAGORE WEEK:—6-30 p.m. at Framji Cowasji Hall, Dhobi Talao, talk "Internationalism and Rabindranath" by Dr. Amiya Chakravarty D Phil (Oxn.) "Tagore and the man" by Prof Humayun Kabir. Tagore Music. The meeting will be presided over by Dr H T Sorley, D.Lit.

'Hamari Baat' For Majestic

It will be an agreeable surprise to Bombay Talkies' fans to hear that the run of 'Hamari Baat' will be continued from now on at the Majestic Cinema. The announcement that this popular picture was to be taken off from the screen of the Imperial rather puzzled the public, since 'Hamari Baat' has been drawing crowded houses at that theatre. That the Majestic Cinema is going to be the new venue for 'Hamari Baat' will be greatly appreciated by that section of the public for whom the Majestic is their favourite theatre.

City Schools To Be Closed For 2 Days

Both the Bombay Municipal Schools Committee and the Municipal Standing Committee were adjourned today as a mark of respect to the memory of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi.

The Schools Committee resolved to keep all Municipal Schools closed on Thursday and Friday.

At the meeting of the Standing Committee Mr. Motichand Kapadia, chairman referring Kasturba said:—"Her death will be mourned not only by her numerous friends and admirers but by millions of people in this country and abroad whose sympathy will be extended to Mahatma Gandhi. Kasturba's life work was an example of selfless service to the motherland."

The Standing Committee also adopted a resolution placing on record their sense of proofound sorrow at the death of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi "who was a lady of great piety and of excellent virtues who devoted her life to the cause of the country following the footsteps of her husband Mahatma Gandhi."

A reference was also made by Dr. Homi J Pavri, chairman of the Schools Committee before that body adjourned its meeting.

Theatrical Shows Cancelled

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Khatau-Alfred Theatrical Company have cancelled their play 'Maya Machindra' which was to be staged tonight at Bally ji theatre on account of Kasturba Gandhi's death. All employees of the company were given leave and asked to pray for peace of Mrs. Gandhiji's soul.

LAST SHOW CANCELLED

"Kulavadhu" which was to be staged on Tuesday night as the last item in the programme of the centenary of the Marathe stage celebration in Bombay was cancelled when news of Mrs. Gandhi's death reached the organisers. For two minutes complete silence was observed by way of prayer.

APPEAL TO RATION-DRAWERS

The President, I. G. D. Federation, Bombay, writes:

"On account of the sad demise of Kasturba Gandhi, it has been decided by all the Grain Dealers' Associations of Bombay City and Suburbs, who have joined the Indian Grain Dealers' Federation, Bombay, to keep all the Grocery and Ration shops closed till 2 p.m. to-day (Thursday). The public of Bombay City and Suburbs are requested to condone the difficulty in drawing their rations and necessary articles to-day till 2 p.m."

LONDON SILVER
London, Feb. 22.
Spot 23-1/2, Forward 23-1/2.
LONDON GOLD
London, Feb. 22.
London Gold Fine per oz £8-8-0.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Wednesday the 23rd February 1944. Total amount offered was Rs. 10,46,90,000—(Rupees ten Crores forty-six lakhs fifty thousand only). Tenders at Rs. 99-12-9 and above were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs 89,50,000—(Rupees eighty-nine lakhs fifty thousand only), the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 0-12-11 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs Six Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 29th February 1944, in Bombay up to 11 a.m. (S.T.) and up to the close of business on Monday the 28th February 1944 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 3rd March 1944. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 18th February 1944, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 3,57,00,000—(Rupees three crores fifty-seven lakhs only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

An Account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 for the week ended the 18th day of February 1944.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department		10,68,69,000
Notes in circulation		869,11,46,000
Total Notes issued		879,80,15,000
ASSETS	Rs.	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—		
(a) Held in India	44,41,43,000	
Sterling Securities	763,83,96,000	
Total of A.		808,25,39,000
B Rupee Coin		13,22,04,000
Government of India Rupee Securities		58,32,73,000
Total Assets		879,80,15,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 91-868 per cent.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 22.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 per cent £71-7/8, Consols 2-1/2 per cent £79-9/16. Conversion Loan 3-1/2 per cent 1961 £105-5/16, War Loan 3-1/2 per cent £103-7/8, Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 £113-7/8, Victory Bonds 4 per cent £112, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China £9-7/8, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £76, National Bank of India £37.

N. York and Orleans markets closed.

LONDON WHEAT
London, Feb. 22.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 32/6 March-April quoted. Wheat Australian (Bulk) 34 February-March quoted. Wheat Australian (Bags) 37 February-March quoted.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

It must be said in fairness to the Government of Bombay that they had the decency to say they REGRET to announce the death of Mrs. Gandhi. It is the one redeeming feature in their communique which is so carefully worded as to include in it the subtle propaganda—for the benefit of the outside world—which stressed that she died in a Palace, such as it was. Yet from our point of view, what should have been a national funeral has been a small backgarden cremation with a nation's leader to mourn the loss of his wife and companion for over 60 years. In his sadness there is little we can say except that his demeanour and his courage is an inspiration in dark days like these. The Mahatma has lost none of his dignity. According to the reports in the evening paper, he only allowed himself to be visibly moved once as the body was placed on the pyre. Then he wiped his eyes and in that moment he expressed a nation's sorrow—for truly it has been said of him that what he feels this nation also feels and in his sorrow the nation also shares.

* * *

In that Aga Khan's Palace now have been cremated two persons whom this country loved so much and one still remains detained watching over that bit of ground which must be holy now. Perhaps it would be common courtesy for the Government to ask the Mahatma whether he would wish to be moved away from the scene which must have sad memories for him. Perhaps he'd like to stay there. The time has come when a little less of politics and a little more of humanity is indicated from the Government of the country.

* * *

In the midst of all this, when one read that Sir Mohamed Usman, leader of the Upper House, said in the Council of State that he could not agree to send a telegram of condolence to the Mahatma "as there would be many cases of a similar nature," that bit of news STANK. That an Indian in this hour could be found to utter such a remark made one lose faith in our kind. However!

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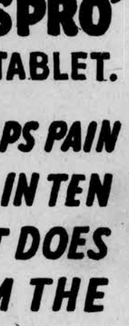

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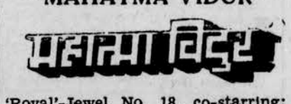

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from British Subjects or subjects of Indian States for the post of Dockyard Personnel Officer H.M.I. Dockyard, Bombay. The post is tenable for the duration of the War and for such period thereafter as may be necessary. Probationary period 6 months. Pay will be fixed in the scale of Rs. 600-40-1,000 p.m. according to qualifications. The applicant must be of good social status and must possess previous experience in the administration, control, and supervision of labour in a large Industrial or Business concern. Government servants are also eligible. Applications stating age, present appointment, previous experience, salary now drawn, special qualifications (if any) should be addressed to the Director of Personnel Services, Naval Headquarters, New Delhi, so as to reach him not later than the 6th March, 1944. (7902)

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SEA TRANSPORT HEADQUARTERS, BOMBAY.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED from Licensed Stevedores for stevedoring and supply of labour in the port of Bombay for loading and discharging vessels under the control of the Assistant Principal Sea Transport Officer, India.

Tender forms and "Instructions to Tenderers" can be obtained from the Assistant Principal Sea Transport Officer, India, 10, Nicol Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

C. L. TURBETT,
Captain,
Asst. Principal Sea Transport Officer, India, Bombay.
22nd February, 1944. (7905)

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT
(Architectural Branch)
TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the works noted below and will be received upto 1 P.M. (B.T.) on Friday, the 3rd March, 1944:—

(1) Works of additions and alterations to (a) Nurses' Home (New Block) and (b) Pantry of Nurses' Home (Old Block) at the Arthur Road Infectious Diseases Hospital;
(2) Works in the reconstruction of Retaining wall, Repairing and remodelling servants' and sweepers' quarters and the Mortuary and Repairing compound wall at the Turner Sanatorium at Bhoiwada, Parel.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the Office of the Chief Accountant, Bombay Municipality, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, etc., will be issued to any one deputed to receive them on payment of Rs. 5|- for each tender copy by the undersigned, who will, on application give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

TENDERS MUST BE BROUGHT DULY SEALED TO THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AND DELIVERED AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE AS DIRECTED ABOVE. TENDERFRS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO FILL IN OR SEAL THEIR TENDERS AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OR ANY OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Municipal Offices, Fort,
Bombay, 23rd February, 1944. 7916

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ASANAND GORDHANDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim in or to the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lease, lien, easement or otherwise is hereby required to make the same known in writing to us at our Office No. 17-19, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay and to the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of Quit and Ground rent land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Bapu Khote Street, otherwise known as Jamli Moholla in the registration Sub-District of Bombay in the Town and Island of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 184 Square Yards or thereabouts (but according to Cadastral Survey 182 Square Yards) and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old No. 1053, New No. 8232, Rent Roll No. 3198, Old Survey No. 2086 and New Survey No. 751 and Cadastral Survey No. 3228 of Bhuleshwar Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Assessment under (6) C Ward No. 5984 and Street Nos. 72 to 76 Bapu Khote Street and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by Bapu Khote Street, on or towards the West by the property of Gora Gandhi, on or towards the North by the property of Nathubhai Nagindas and on or towards the South by a sweeper's passage and beyond that by the property of Mowji Manji.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1944.

FRAMJI J. JESIA & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 7917

PUBLIC NOTICES

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IRON AND STEEL CONTROL
TO ALL STEEL CONSUMERS

PERSONS holding Licences under the Iron and Steel (Control of Distribution) Order 1941 Authorising them to acquire Steel (50) during the period 1944 (April, May, June) are reminded that the latest date for acceptance of their orders on producers by the Iron and Steel Controller is February 29th 1944. The Iron and Steel Controller will not accept Indents Licensed for period 1944 (April, May, June) received after this date and the (100) Licensee is liable to lose his claim to the Steel which he has been authorised to acquire. 7915

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the originals of (1) Deed of Exchange, dated 14th June, 1883 from Frank Chalk to Tapidas Varjdas, (2) Conveyance dated 18th March, 1890, from Damodardas Tapidas and Dayabhai Tapidas Executors of Will of Tapidas Varjdas and another to Damodardas Tapidas and (3) Conveyance, dated 2nd June, 1909, from Ruttonji Cursetji Wadia to Hargovandas Mulchand relating to Palli Hill, Bandra property bearing former survey No. 256 and City Survey No. 99 and belonging to our client Mr. Chimanlal Damodardas also known as Chunilal Damodardas have been LOST or MISPLACED and have not come into our clients possession.

Any person having the said documents or any of them is hereby required forthwith to deliver the same to the undersigned at their office, Albert Building, Hornby Road, Bombay.

Dated this 23rd day of February, 1944.

BHAISHANKAR KANGA &
GIRDHARLAL,
Attorneys for Mr. Chimanlal Damodardas. (7918)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that KAIKOBAD COWASJEE BOTTLEWALA has agreed to sell to our clients the undermentioned property.

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All persons having any claim, whatsoever in or upon the said property are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 35, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered to have been absolutely waived.

Dated this 21st day of February, 1944.

MADHAVJI & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 7313

AUCTION SALES

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By Order of The Municipal Commissioner, Bombay, Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by public auction on THURSDAY, the 24th February, 1943, at 9 a.m. (New S.T.) at Crawford Market the Rights to collect various fees at the Slaughter House, Bandra, and at the Scale at Crawford Market respectively from 1st April, 1944, to 31st March, 1945.

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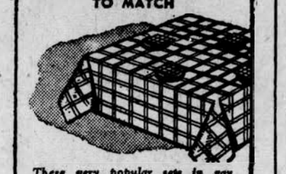

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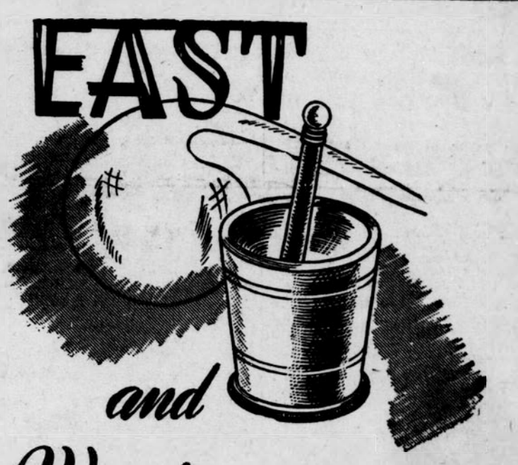

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